

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image recording apparatus includes a recording head having a plurality of nozzles, a carriage, a transfer mechanism, a driving mechanism, a detection mechanism which optically detects an ink ejection state, and a controller. The plural nozzles are divided into a plurality of nozzle groups. The controller makes an ejection timing of each of the nozzle groups different from that of any other nozzle group. The shifting time of the timing of each of the nozzle group is shorter than an ejection cycle in image recording of each group.